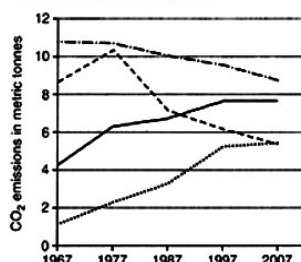


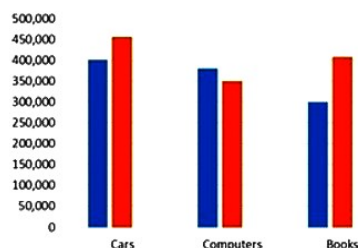
# IELTS TASK 1 CHART TYPES

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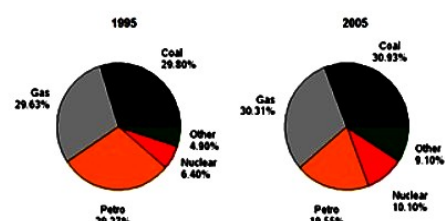
## 1. Line Graph



## 2. Bar Chart



## 3. Pie Charts



## 4. Table Charts

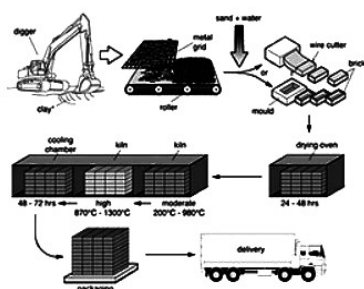
Sales of Fairtrade-labelled coffee and bananas (1999 & 2004)

| Coffee      | 1999<br>(millions of euros) | 2004<br>(millions of euros) |
|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| UK          | 1.5                         | 20                          |
| Switzerland | 3                           | 6                           |
| Denmark     | 1.8                         | 2                           |
| Belgium     | 1                           | 1.7                         |
| Sweden      | 0.8                         | 1                           |

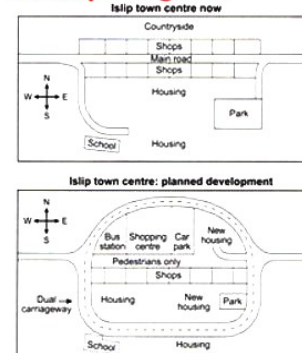
  

| Bananas     | 1999<br>(millions of euros) | 2004<br>(millions of euros) |
|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| UK          | 15                          | 47                          |
| Switzerland | 1                           | 5.5                         |
| Denmark     | 0.6                         | 4                           |
| Belgium     | 1.8                         | 1                           |
| Sweden      | 2                           | 0.9                         |

## 5. Process Diagram



## 6. Map Diagram



## Types of IELTS Writing Task 1 (Academic)

Below are the six types of tasks that can appear in IELTS Writing task 1. You can also get a combination of two tasks together. You will find MODEL ANSWERS and SAMPLE PRACTICE TASKS linked below for each type of writing task 1.

### Bar Charts

Charts that compare and contrast data. Data is divided into columns representing categories and compared with between two groups, such as men and women.

### Line Graphs

A graph that shows trends of two lines over a period of time. The lines represent numbers in two or more categories. This shows increases, decreases and other changes.

### Tables

A table containing data that can be complex with many categories divided into rows and columns. These could be compare/contrast or change over time.

### Pie Charts

These show proportions of a whole divided into different categories. Sometimes compare/contrast and sometimes change over time.

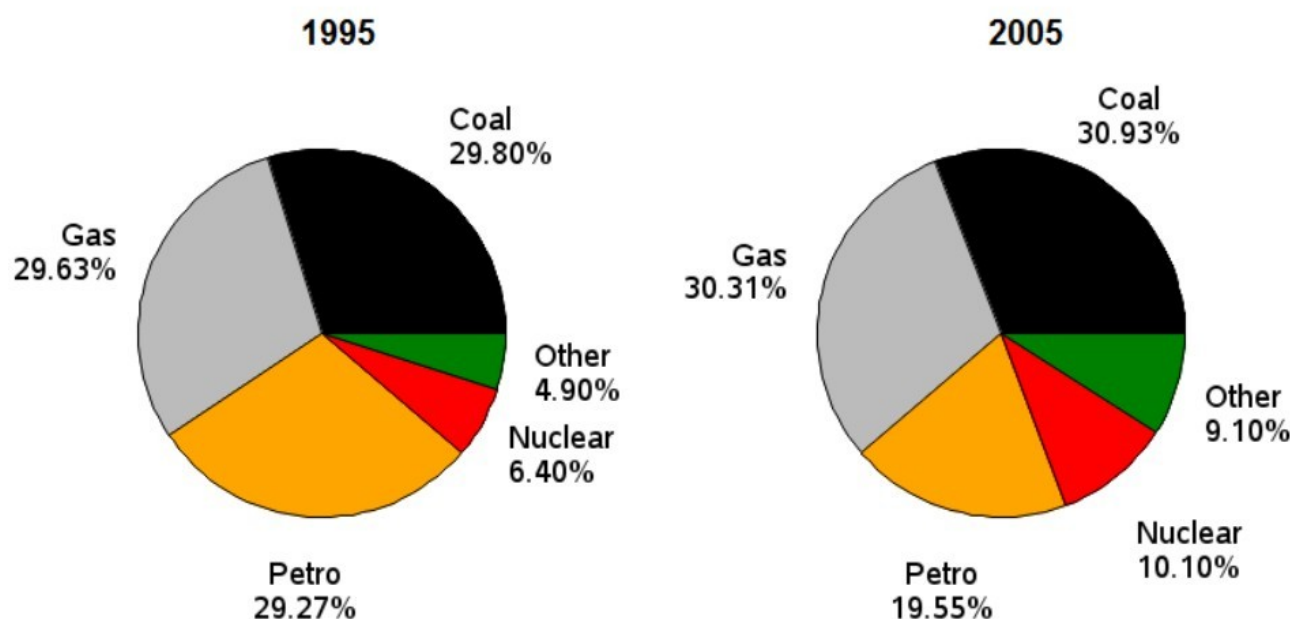
### Diagrams

It could be a process of how something works or how it is made. Or it could be a cycle such as a life cycle or water cycle. Diagrams contain stages and steps.

### Maps

A map of a town/city or report or a floor plan of a building. Describing the layout, position of places and special features on the map. Sometimes there are two maps to compare in different time periods.

## Comparison of Energy Production



### Pie Chart Sample Answer

*The two pie charts illustrate the proportion of five sources of energy production (coal, gas, nuclear, petrol and other sources) in France in two years (1995 and 2005).*

*Overall, in both years coal and gas accounted for over half of all energy production, while the least was other energy sources. There was only a very minimal increase in production from gas and coal, whereas nuclear and other sources almost doubled. Petrol was the only energy source to decrease over the period.*

*Energy produced by coal comprised of 29.80% in 1995 and by 2005, it increased by about 1% to 30.9%. Likewise, the amount of energy generated by gas went up by approximately 1% from 29.63% in the first year to 30.1% by the final year. The use of nuclear power rose significantly from 6.40% in 1995 to 10.10% in 2005. Other sources of energy production accounted for 4.90% but then climbed to 9.10%.*

*Petrol, on the other hand, produced 29.27% of all energy in 1995 but 10 years later only 19.55% of energy came from this source.*

Words = 177

- You must write at least 150 words; you should not write more than 180 words. You'll lose marks if you go outside these numbers.
- You must **not** try to write about all the information in the pie charts, you're only summarizing the information
- The overview is the most important paragraph and should contain the main information in the pie chart(s). It must be more than one sentence long.
- Be aware whether the pie charts are 'static' (comparison of different categories only) or 'dynamic' (comparing categories between different time periods). Use appropriate language to show any changes.
- There should be three paragraphs: The 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph is the Overview; the content of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph should contain **different information**, eg. for the example above, paragraph 2 could compare coal and gas production in 1995 and 2005. While paragraph 3 could compare petrol, nuclear and other sources of energy production.
- You must be clear about exactly what you are comparing, in the pie charts above this is already clear, but it isn't always so.
- Use a variety of different structures to compare the percentages: 6.40% = approximately / around / about six and a half percent; 30.93% = nearly a third; comparison between gas production in 1995 and 2005: gas production remained about the same in 1995 and 2005
- There is no concluding paragraph in this type of report; the important or significant information must be highlighted in the overview.